## **HOUSE BILL 2026**

## By Littleton

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 8 and Title 36, relative to the department of children's services.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-27-204(a)(1), is amended by adding the following new subdivision:

(E) Any person who is employed by a service provider with whom the department of children's services contracts to provide care or services for children pursuant to title 36, chapter 5, part 1; provided, that such person shall only be eligible for enrollment in a basic health plan;

SECTION 2. The commissioner of children's services is authorized to promulgate rules to effectuate the purposes of this act. The rules must be promulgated in accordance with the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act, compiled in Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 5.

SECTION 3. For the purposes of promulgating rules, this act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, this act takes effect January 1, 2023, the public welfare requiring it.